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FOR: DOOR LATCHING DEVICE AND METHOD

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 Certified copy of \_\_\_\_\_  
 8 sheets of drawings  
 An assignment of the invention to General Signal Technology Corporation, and the assignment recordation fee  
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